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- The Hungarian-Soviet Bauxite-Aluminum Company has its offices at Kossuth Lajos Ter 18, Budapest. The works themselves are at Almasfüzitö, near Lake Balaton.
- 2. This company is under the control of the Ministry of Light Industries and is a collective Hungarian-Soviet joint stock company, in which 55% of the shares are Soviet-owned and 45% are Hungarian-owned. In accordance with this joint ownership, the company is administered partly by Soviet and partly by Hungarian personnel. As this was a Hungarian-German enterprise prior to World War II, it was automatically converted into a Hungarian-Soviet joint stock company in 1945.
- 3. A branch of this company is the Dunavölgyi Timföldgyar, Danube Valley Alumina Works.
- 4. The plant at Almasfuzita was founded in 1939, but its development was delayed by the war and it was not resumed until the end of 1946. The buildings were completed in 1951.

The machines were supplied partly by the Soviet 50X1-HUM Union and partly by Eastern Germany. Some of the machines have not yet been delivered by these countries. According to plan, all machinery was expected to arrive to enable the works to start operating 50X1-HUM at full capacity

- 5. The plant at Almasfüzitö produces no aluminum only the intermediate product: alumina (timföld). production amounted 50X1-HUM to 2 car loads of alumina per day.
- 6. The alumina is produced from bauxite at the works. This bauxite for aluminaprocessing comes from Moha, Fejër county, in the Danube valley. It is brought

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by rail from Moha to Almasfüzitö at the rate of 22 cars per day, excepting Sundays and Mondays. These bauxite deliveries arrive punctually.

- 7. Coal supplies for the works at Almasfüzitö also arrive by rail. They come from Tatabanya, Tokod, and Solymar.
- 8. The current is supplied from Banhida. The works has its own power station; the 3 turbines require 5 carloads of coal per day.
- 9. All supplies are brought by direct rail connection to the factory area.
- 10. It is known that 80% of the production of this plant is sent directly to the Soviet Union; the cars loaded at Almasfüzitö pass on immediately to the Russo-Hungarian border station Zahony. The remaining 20% of the alumina production is transported by rail to Ajka in Veszprem county.

 50X1-HUM approximately 20% of the total production was sent to Czechoslovakia, which was deducted from Soviet deliveries.

11. Leading personnel:

8.8	The director of the joint stock company is a Soviet national, named Morosov (fnu).] :
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b∞	The technical director is a Hungarian, named István Zákány;	
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C,	The chief of the power station is Engineer Nagy (fnu),	
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đ.	The chief of building operations is also a Russian. His name is Jakol (fnu)	liev
e.	The Party secretary is Janos Mackos;	50X1-HUM
f.	The leader of the "Hungarian Union of Fighters for Freedom" and the Youth Organization is Vince Gombés;	50X1-HUM

12. Labor:

- a. the total number of persons employed in Budapest and at Almasfüzitö was 1,500, of which 90% were employed at Almasfüzitö.50X1-HUM Of this figure approximately 500 were women. No children are employed by the works.
- b. At Almasfüzitő work is done in two shifts. Sunday counts as a working day.
- c. Owing to the importance of the plant the employees are well-paid. Nevertheless, there is much dissatisfaction among the workers, because of the strenuous nature of the work and the fact that Sundays are not free.

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- an infantry company, consisting of 110 men was suddenly ordered to Almasfüzitö, as the management feared acts of sabotage. The infantry company is housed in wooden hutments outside the plant area. The guards are posted inside the factory enclosure.
- b. Apart from this infantry unit, there is an AVH unit of 10 men, which serves day and night as factory guard.
- c. Anyone may gain admission to the directorate of the plant in Budapest, but only possessors of valid entry permits with photographs are admitted to the works at Almasfüzitö.
- no special air raid precautions had been introduced; 50X1-HUM only air raid siren practices were occasionally heard.

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